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July 5, 1994

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Dear Mr. Strickland:

On behalf of Charter Financial, Inc., I submit for filing and recording under 49 U.S.C. § 11303(a) and the regulations promulgated thereunder, executed counterparts of a secondary document, not previously recorded, entitled Chattel Paper and Equipment Purchase Agreement (Limited Recourse) ("Assignment") dated as of June 27, 1994.

The parties to the enclosed Assignment are:

Atlantic & Western Railway, Limited Partnership - ASSIGNOR/SELLER  
Suite 302  
100 Professional Park  
Carrolton, GA 30017

Charter Financial, Inc. - ASSIGNEE/BUYER  
444 Madison Avenue  
New York, NY 10022

The said Assignment, among other things, acts to assign to the Assignee the right, title and interest as specified therein of the Assignor as lessee in the Railroad Equipment Lease ("Lease") recorded with the Interstate Commerce Commission on June 22, 1994 under Recordation No. 18853 and should be recorded as "-A" under the same Recordation No. as the said Lease, namely as Recordation No. 18853-A.

The equipment covered by the instant Assignment is the equipment covered in the above-mentioned Lease.

A short summary of the Assignment to appear in the ICC Index is as follows:

"Assignment of interest in above lease."

Please index separately the name of the above-mentioned Assignee in the ICC "Vendee/Assignee" Index Book ("white pages") as follows:

Index under Charter Financial, Inc. saying, "See Recordation No. 18853-A."

Enclosed is a check in the amount of eighteen dollars (\$18.00) in payment of the filing fees.

*counterparts*

**Interstate Commerce Commission**  
Washington, D.C. 20423

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

JULY 5, 1994

ALLEN H. HARRISON, JR.  
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Dear MR. HARRISON:

The enclosed document(s) was recorded pursuant to the provisions of Section 11303 of the Interstate Commerce Act, 49 U.S.C. 11303, on 7/5/94 at 10:40AM, and assigned recordation number(s). 18853-A, 18854-A and 18877.

Sincerely yours,

Sidney L. Strickland, Jr.  
Secretary

Enclosure(s)

\$ 54.00 The amount indicated at the left has been received in payment of a fee in connection with a document filed on the date shown. This receipt is issued for the amount paid and in no way indicates acknowledgment that the fee paid is correct. This is accepted subject to review of the document which has been assigned the transaction number corresponding to the one stamped on this receipt. In the event of an error or any questions concerning this fee, you will receive a notification after the Commission has had an opportunity to examine your document.

Signature Sidney L. Strickland, Jr.

**CHATTEL PAPER AND EQUIPMENT PURCHASE AGREEMENT (LIMITED RECOURSE)**

CHATTEL PAPER AND EQUIPMENT PURCHASE AGREEMENT (this "Purchase Agreement") is made this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 1994, by and between CHARTER FINANCIAL, INC. ("Charter"), a New York corporation, with principal offices located at 444 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10022, and ATLANTIC & WESTERN RAILWAY, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ("Seller"), a North Carolina limited partnership, with principal offices located at 2605 Thomas Drive, Panama City, FL 32408.

Seller has outstanding a lease with Meridian & Bigbee Railroad Co. ("Customer"), a Mississippi corporation, with an address at 119 22nd Avenue South, Meridian, Mississippi 39302 for the lease or rental of certain personal property (the "Cars"). The lease is dated March 23, 1994, and together with all attachments, schedules, instruments, guarantees, riders, notices, and financing statements related thereto are referred to collectively as the "Agreements". (The Cars and the Agreements are more fully described in the Schedule of Cars and Agreements annexed hereto and made a part hereof.) Seller wishes to sell and Charter wishes to purchase the Agreements and all of Seller's interest in the Cars. In consideration of the mutual promises contained herein. Charter and Seller agree as follows:

1. In reliance upon the warranties and representations herein and subject to the terms and conditions hereof, Seller hereby sells, transfers, conveys and assigns to Charter, its successors and assigns, without recourse as to Customer's financial ability to pay, and Charter hereby purchases from Seller, all of Seller's rights and interests in and to the Cars and the Agreements, including all amounts due and to become due thereunder, together with all of Seller's rights and remedies thereunder. Charter shall have the right in its own behalf and in its own name to take any action under the Agreements which Seller might have taken, save for this Purchase Agreement. Under the terms of the lease, Customer is renting 50 cars at a rental price of \$260.00 per Car per month. The lease requires Customer to make sixty (60) consecutive monthly payments, each in the amount of thirteen thousand and no/100 dollars (\$13,000.00) commencing June 1, 1994 and continuing through and including May 1, 1999. Charter is purchasing fifty-nine (59) rental payments from Seller beginning with the July 1, 1994 payment and the purchase price to be paid by Charter to Seller for the Agreements and the rights and interests in the Cars shall be an amount equal to six hundred twelve thousand eight hundred eighty-two and 18/100 dollars (\$612,882.18). Contemporaneously with the execution hereof, Seller shall deliver to Charter all of the Agreements.

2. Seller warrants and represents to and covenants with Charter that

a. Seller has the full legal right, power and authority to enter

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into this Purchase Agreement and the Agreements and to consummate all of the transactions contemplated by this Purchase Agreement and the Agreements, the execution and delivery of this Purchase Agreement and the Agreements by Seller has been approved by all necessary corporate or other action, and none of Seller's obligations hereunder or thereunder will result in any breach of any provision of any agreement or instrument to which Seller is a party or by which Seller is bound;

- b. Seller is a limited partnership duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of North Carolina;
- c. No consent, approval or other authorization of or by any court, administrative agency or other governmental authority is required in connection with the execution, delivery or performance by Seller of, or the consummation by the Seller of, the transactions contemplated by, the Agreements;
- d. Neither the execution and delivery by the Seller of the Agreements, nor compliance by the Seller with the provisions thereof, conflicts with or results in a breach of any of the provisions of its certificate of limited partnership or partnership agreement;
- e. the Cars identified on the Delivery and Acceptance Certificate annexed hereto, and on any supplement(s) to such Certificate have been delivered to and accepted by Customer in a condition satisfactory to Customer;
- f. Seller has complied and will continue to comply with all its representations, warranties, covenants and all other obligations to Customer under each of the Agreements;
- g. The obligation of Customer to pay all of the installments as set forth on the face of the Agreements is absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance whatsoever, and customer is required to make all such payments without interruption or abatement notwithstanding any event or circumstance whatsoever, including, without limitation, the late delivery, non-delivery, destruction or damage of or to the Cars, the deprivation or limitation of the use of the Cars, and notwithstanding any defense, set-off, recoupment or counterclaim or any other right whatsoever, whether by reason of breach of the Agreements or otherwise, which Customer may now or hereafter have against Seller, and whether any such event shall be by reason of any act or omission of Seller or otherwise;
- h. Seller will indemnify and hold Charter harmless from and defend Charter against any liability or expense under or on account of any of the Agreements that arises out of or in

connection with any misrepresentation, breach of warranty or any other improper act or omission of Seller;

- i. no amount due under any of the Agreements has been prepaid by Customer to Seller, and no deposit has been paid by Customer to Seller except as specifically stated in the Agreements delivered to Charter;
  - j. Seller has not made any prior sale or assignment of any of the Agreements or any Cars to any person, firm or corporation, or granted any waiver under or agreed to any modification or amendment of the Agreements or any of them;
  - k. Seller is the Lessee of the Cars pursuant to a Railroad Equipment Lease dated as of April 1, 1994 between Seller as Lessee and Industrial Investment Corporation as Lessor and Seller has an absolute leasehold interest to each and every Car during the term of the Agreements and the absolute right to lease the Cars to Customer in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreements;
  - l. Seller shall not under any circumstances elect to delete any Cars from the lease or other Agreements whether under Section 19(a) of the lease or otherwise. In the event any of the Cars require modification pursuant to a regulation of the U. S. Department of Transportation or any other agency having jurisdiction over the operation or use of the Cars, Seller shall make or arrange to make all appropriate modifications to such Cars at Seller's expense, and Seller guarantees to Charter the continued payment of all installments which accrue and/or become payable during the period during which such modifications are being made to any Car(s) to the same extent as if modification was not required.
3. In addition to the representations and warranties made by Seller herein, Charter has entered into this Purchase Agreement in reliance upon the following:
- a. that each of the Agreements is genuine and constitutes valid, binding and legal obligations of Customer enforceable against Customer (and all others who are parties thereto) in accordance with their terms, the only agreements executed with respect to the Cars, (except for the lease dated April 1, 1994 between Seller as lessee and Industrial Investment Corporation as lessor which is referred to in subsection "2k" above) and the copies given to Charter by Seller are the only originals thereof;
  - b. that the Cars are free and clear of all security interests, claims, liens and encumbrances of any kind or nature whatsoever;
  - c. that all signatures, names, addresses, amounts and other

statements contained in the Agreements are true and correct;

- d. that each of the Agreements conforms to all applicable laws and regulations and is legally enforceable in the state or states where the Customer and the Cars are located, and if filing or recording of the Agreements or any chattel mortgage, mortgage, trust deed, financing statement or similar instrument is required or permitted by law, the same has been so filed or recorded as to be effective against all persons;
- e. that Seller has complied and will continue to comply with all of its representations, warranties, covenants and all other obligations to Customer with regard to the Cars whether or not arising under or in connection with the Agreements;
- f. that Customer has received the terms of each of the Agreements and has neither disputed any obligation arising under any of the Agreements nor has any claim of defense or offset with respect to any of the Agreements or any of Customer's obligations thereunder;
- g. that Customer has complied with all of its obligations to Seller under each of the Agreements, and Customer is not presently in default of any of such obligations;
- h. that Customer has the full legal right, power and authority to enter into the Agreements and to consummate all of the transactions consummated by the Agreements, the execution and delivery of the Agreements by Customer has been duly authorized and approved by all necessary corporate or other action, and none of the Customer's obligations thereunder will result in any breach of any provision of any agreement or instrument to which Customer is a party or by which Customer is bound;
- i. that Customer is a corporation duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the State of MISSISSIPPI;
- j. that no consent, approval or other authorization of or by any court, administrative agency or other governmental authority is required in connection with the execution, delivery or performance by Customer of, or the consummation by Customer of, the transactions contemplated by, the Agreements; and
- k. that neither the execution and delivery by the Customer of the Agreements, nor compliance by the Customer with the provisions thereof, conflicts with or results in a breach of any of the provisions of its respective certificates of incorporation or by-laws.

Seller shall be deemed to be in breach of its obligations to Charter

hereunder and shall repurchase the Agreements and rights and interests in the Cars pursuant to section 7 hereof if any of the foregoing shall be false.

4. Charter does not assume any of Seller's obligations under the Agreements and Charter shall have no obligation of lessor, lender or secured party under any of the Agreements, and nothing herein shall relieve Seller of any of its obligations under the Agreements.

5. Seller shall have no authority to, and will not, without Charter's prior written consent, accept collections, repossess or consent to the return of the Cars, or modify or amend, in any respect, the terms of any of the Agreements.

6. Any failure or delay by Charter in enforcing any right hereunder shall not be deemed a waiver of such right or of any subsequent default by Seller or of Charter's right to require strict performance of this Purchase Agreement.

7. If Seller shall breach any of its warranties, covenants or other obligations to Charter under this Purchase Agreement or any representation made to Charter under this Purchase Agreement shall be false, Seller shall repurchase the Agreements and the rights and interests in the Cars from Charter for the total amount of all unpaid payments thereunder, discounted using the simple interest method and the same discount rate used to compute the purchase price, whether due or to become due, at the time of such repurchase, together with appropriate penalties customarily charged by Charter and all costs of collection, if any, including but not limited to attorney's fees. Upon payment to Charter of the amounts set forth in this section 7, Charter shall have no further recourse against Seller.

8. This Purchase Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of Charter and Seller and their respective successors and assigns.

9. If Charter or Seller shall retain an attorney for the purpose of enforcing any of its rights against the other under this Purchase Agreement, the successful party shall be entitled to recover all reasonable attorney's fees and costs from the other party.

10. Seller shall execute and deliver to Charter, on demand and from time to time, such other and additional documents and instruments as Charter shall reasonably deem necessary to vest in Charter full right, title and interest in the Agreements and all of Seller's rights and interests in the Cars (including title or a security interest as applicable).

11. Seller hereby waives notice of the amendment or modification of any of the Agreements, the granting to Customer of any indulgences or extensions of time for payment and all other notices or formalities to which Seller might otherwise be entitled.

12. Seller waives any right it may have to assert any counterclaim in any action to enforce Seller's obligations hereunder. The foregoing provision shall not bar Seller from asserting the substance of any such counterclaim in a separate action against Charter.

13. Seller's obligation to repurchase the Agreements and rights and interests in the Cars pursuant to Section 7 above shall terminate upon Charter's receipt of all of the payments due by Customer under the Agreements. Upon such payment in full Charter will assign the Agreements and its rights and interests in the Cars to Seller, without representation or warranty.

14. Seller warrants and represents to and covenants with Charter that this Purchase Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties; all prior agreements, commitments, understandings, representations, warranties and negotiations in connection herewith, if any, are hereby merged into this Purchase Agreement, and no oral representations shall in any manner whatsoever modify or explain any of the terms and conditions of this Purchase Agreement or any of the Agreements.

15. This Purchase Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York. Seller hereby agrees that all actions or proceedings arising, directly or indirectly, in connection with, out of or related to this Purchase Agreement may be litigated, at Charter's sole discretion and election in courts in New York, and Seller hereby subjects itself to the jurisdiction of any local, state or federal court located within New York.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Charter and Seller have duly executed this Purchase Agreement as of the date first above written.

Attest: *M. Rose*  
Asst. Secretary

CHARTER FINANCIAL, INC.

By: *[Signature]*

Title: Vice President

ATTEST:

ATLANTIC & WESTERN RAILWAY  
LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

By: RAIL MANAGEMENT AND  
CONSULTING CORPORATION, its  
General Partner

*Linda G. Gray*  
Linda G. Gray, Secretary

By: *[Signature]*  
K. Earl Durden

Title: President

DD:cb



State of Florida )  
County of Bay ) ss.

On this 27th day of June, 1994, before me personally appeared K. Earl Darden, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, acknowledged before me that he is the President of RAIL MANAGEMENT AND CONSULTING CORPORATION, the general partner of ATLANTIC & WESTERN RAILWAY, LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, and that said instrument was signed on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors. Further, he acknowledged before me that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.



DAVID SCOTT HELMS  
My Commission CC326324  
Expires Oct. 25, 1997  
Bonded by HAI  
800-422-1555

David Scott Helms  
NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

10/25/97

State of NY )  
County of NY ) ss.

On this 29 day of June, 1994, before me personally appeared Henry Frommer, to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn acknowledged before me that he is the President of CHARTER FINANCIAL, INC. and that said instrument was signed on behalf of said corporation by authority of its Board of Directors. Further, he acknowledged before me that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said corporation.

Gladys A.L. Dell'Aquila  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

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GLADYS A.L. DELL'AQUILA  
Notary Public, State of New York  
No. 41-4507896  
Qualified in New York County  
Commission Expires February 28, 1996

Description of Agreements and Cars

Re: Chattel Paper and Equipment Purchase Agreement (Non-Recourse)  
made the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1994 by and between Atlantic  
& Western Railway, Limited Partnership and Charter Financial,  
Inc.

DESCRIPTION OF RAILCARS:

OLD NUMBERS (SOO NUMBERS)	NEW NUMBERS (M & B NUMBERS)	OLD NUMBERS (SOO NUMBERS)	NEW NUMBERS (M & B NUMBERS)
17500	9001	17678	9026
17504	9002	17682	9027
17506	9003	17684	9028
17518	9004	17708	9029
17528	9005	17728	9030
17530	9006	17736	9031
17536	9007	17742	9032
17546	9008	17746	9033
17548	9009	17748	9034
17550	9010	17754	9035
17558	9011	17770	9036
17560	9012	17784	9037
17564	9013	17790	9038
17576	9014	17800	9039
17586	9015	17804	9040
17590	9016	17808	9041
17600	9017	17812	9042
17608	9018	17820	9043
17618	9019	17828	9044
17622	9020	17834	9045
17636	9021	17836	9046
17638	9022	17840	9047
17640	9023	17846	9048
17648	9024	17764	9049
17652	9025	17570	9050

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